

Oregon pro wrestling icon Roddy Piper dies

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“Rowdy” Roddy Piper, the kilt wearing trash talker who headlined the first WrestleMania and later found movie stardom, has died, the WWE said Friday. He was 61.

WWE had no additional details.

Piper, born Roderick Toombs, was the second WWE Hall of Famer to die this summer following the June death of Dusty Rhodes. Piper’s death also comes days after Hulk Hogan, his biggest rival for decades, was fired by the WWE. Hogan had used racial slurs in a conversation captured on a sex tape.

Piper and Hogan battled for years and headlined some of the biggest matches during the 1980s. Hogan and Mr. T defeated Piper and Paul Orndorff on March 31, 1985, at the first WrestleMania at Madison Square Garden.

Piper was a villain for the early portion of his career, once cracking a coconut over the skull of Jimmy “Superfly” Snuka. He later starred in the movie “They Live.”

WWE chairman Vince McMahon called Piper “one of the most entertaining, controversial and bombastic performers ever in WWE, beloved by millions of fans around the world.”

Piper also went by the nickname “Hot Rod” during his career. Although he was Canadian, he often appeared in a kilt and came to the ring



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In this March 31, 2009 file photo, former professional wrestlers Ric Flair, left, and Roddy Piper attend the 25th Anniversary of WrestleMania press conference in New York.

blowing bagpipes in a nod to his Scottish heritage.

Piper was best known for his lengthy career with the World Wrestling Federation, now the WWE. He had more than 30 titles to his name and was inducted into the company’s Hall of Fame in 1985.

“Saddened about the passing of “Rowdy” Roddy Piper,” tweeted Paul “Triple H” Levesque, a wrestler and top WWE executive. “He was truly a legend and icon, and will never be forgotten... #ThankYouRoddy #RIP.”

Piper became a household name because of his rivalry with Hogan, and the involvement of pop star Cyndi Lauper and her friend Captain Lou Albano, also a wrestler. The feud led to an MTV special “The War to Settle the Score” in 1985.

COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUG. 1
FIRST SATURDAY BREAKFAST, 7:30-10:30 a.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Cost is \$5, includes eggs, ham, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, coffee, juice and milk. (541-481-3257).

FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST, 8 a.m. until noon (or when food runs out), Tutuilla Presbyterian Church, 45682 Tutuilla Church Road, Pendleton. Breakfast of waffles with fresh strawberries and cream, sausage and coffee or juice is \$7 for the first plate, \$3 for seconds. Proceeds benefit the church’s maintenance fund. (Etta Scott 541-377-8198).

HERMISTON’S OWN FARMERS MARKET, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., McKenzie Park, 300 S. First St., Hermiston. Food, crafts, live music, art.

PARKING LOT SALE, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Agape House, 500 W. Harper Road, Hermiston. Clothing 3 items for \$1, furniture priced as marked, knick-knacks you name the price, books and more. (Dave 541-567-8774).

FREE FOR ALL, 9:30-10:15 a.m. Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Family art experience for children up to age 12. Children under 8 should be accompanied by an adult. (541-278-9201).

FREE ADMISSION SATURDAY, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Heritage Station Museum, 108 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton.

LIVING CULTURE VILLAGE AT TAMASTSLIKT, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tamastslikt Cultural Institute, 47106 Wildhorse Blvd., Mission. View replicas of traditional and prehistoric Plateau Indian people and participate in cultural activities. Free with admission. (541-429-7700).

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Walmart, 2203 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton, and Bi Mart, 901 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. Altrusa International of Pendleton is collecting school supplies and cash for needy students.

“ROBBERS, REPROBATES AND THE RED LIGHT DISTRICT” WALKING TOUR, 10:30 a.m., beginning at Mayson’s Old Fashioned General Store, 369 S. Main St., Pendleton. Learn about Pendleton’s 18 bordellos and 32 saloons in a four-block area of downtown. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children under 12. Tour takes about an hour. (541-278-8206).

HIP & HANDMADE, 11 a.m. to noon, Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Free drop-in art project class for adults. (541-278-9201).

ECHO OLD TIME TRACTOR SHOW, 12 noon to 5 p.m., downtown Echo. Antique tractors and farm equipment will be on display. Entry donation is \$5 per piece of equipment. Attendance is free. (541-376-0421 or info@snoroadwinery.com).

SATURDAY SPIN-IN, 1-4 p.m.,

Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Fiber enthusiasts are encouraged to bring spinning wheels, portable looms and other tools of the craft to share fellowship and expertise. Coffee and tea provided. (541-278-9201).

NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND PRAYER, 7 p.m., Hermiston Assembly of God Church, 730 E. Hurlburt Ave. Inspirational time of worship and praise. (541-571-2428 or 509-832-0517).

MOVIES IN THE PARK, 8-10 p.m., Community Park, 1000 S.W. 37th St., Pendleton. Enjoy a family-friendly movie and concessions. Free.

SUNDAY, AUG. 2
JESSIE AND HILARY COMRIE, 10 a.m., Faith Center Church, 108 S. Main St., Pendleton. The Comries will share their ministry including rap music and a special song in German and English. Everyone welcome. (Ray O’Grady 541-276-9569).

SPAGHETTI FEED FUNDRAISER, 5-7 p.m., Blue Mountain Community College student union, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Cost is \$20 for a family or by donation. Benefits the Eduardo Quezada family. (Sue Quinn 541-310-4897).

ADULT OPEN GYM, 7-9 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave. Free access for ages 16 and up. (541-276-8100).

MONDAY, AUG. 3
FREE READING PROGRAM REGISTRATION, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Lincoln Primary School cafeteria entrance, 107 N.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Children entering grades 1-6 get free breakfast, reading, play games and lunch. Registration required. (541-276-6711).

SENSORY PLAY, 10 a.m., Children’s Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. For children ages 0-3. Lots of sensory stimuli to encourage young children to explore their world. Free with paid admission.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:30 a.m., Athena Public Library, 418 E. Main St. For ages birth to 6. (541-566-2470).

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 noon, Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St. Costs \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for those under 60. Includes pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals On Wheels call CAPECO at 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101).

ART STUDIO, 4:00-5:30 p.m. Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Free class for ages 7-12 to develop skills and encourage art exploration. (541-278-9201).

MUSIC IN THE PARK, 7 p.m., Irrigon Marina Park, end of N.E. 10th St. Trio is the featured performer. Bring blanket, lawn chairs and a picnic.

OBITUARIES

Florence ‘Cricket’ Miller

Las Vegas, Nev.

August 24, 1962-July 24, 2015

Florence Miller, known to her family and friends as Cricket, peacefully passed away with family and friends by her side on July 24, 2015. Cricket blessed this world on August 24, 1962; she was born in Yakima, Washington.

Cricket attended Hermiston High School. She was proud to be a member of the cheerleading team for the wrestling team her junior year. On January 13, 1979, her life took a big turn when a semi truck collided with her school bus. She would now be living her life in a wheelchair. She adjusted to life in a wheelchair with such courage, optimism and faith. She did not let it get her down. Her warm loving smile could brighten up any room.

She did not let that wheelchair slow her down. She graduated with her high school class. She then went on to attend UNLV and graduated in 1999. She worked at Thomas and Mack for 22 years. She loved helping children and was a volunteer for CASA in Las Vegas. In 1993 she was honored with the Clark County Volunteer of the Year award for her work with CASA.

Cricket enjoyed acting and went to acting school. She was in a pilot for a sitcom and was an extra in the move “Indecent Proposal.”

There are no words to say thanks to Cricket’s classmates and the people of Eastern Oregon for all the love and support you gave her all these years.

Cricket is preceded in death by her mother, Naomi Standefer, father Tony Standefer, and grandparents Perry and Florence Arb. She is survived by her brothers John Clemons and his wife Bonnie of Herriman, Utah, and Perry Clemons and his wife Becky of Oakridge, Oregon; sister Terry Harris and her husband Tom of Thompson Falls, Montana; many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and -nephews; Calvin, her beloved cat; and many friends.

There will be a potluck memorial in Hermiston, August 23 at 2:00 p.m. at 816 E. Main Street, Hermiston, Oregon.

The HHS Class of 1980 is starting a scholarship fund in Cricket’s name. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Cricket Miller Scholarship Fund in care of Hermiston Bulldogs Booster Club.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, AUG. 3
OREGON WHEAT COMMISSION, 9-11 a.m., Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. Joint meeting with Oregon Wheat Foundation and Oregon Wheat Growers League. (Diana Thompson 503-467-2161).

HEPPNER PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St.

MILTON-FREEWATER PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave.

WESTON PLANNING COMMISSION, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall, 210 E. Main St.

TUESDAY, AUG. 4
WESTON LIBRARY BOARD, 5:30 p.m., Weston Public Library, 108 E. Main St.

IRRIGON PLANNING COMMISSION, 6 p.m., Irrigon City Hall, 500 N.E. Main St.
MEACHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, 7 p.m., Meacham Fire Department, Meacham. (541-786-2069).

BOARDMAN CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Boardman City Hall, 200 City Center Circle.

PENDLETON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

PILOT ROCK CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., council chambers, 143 W. Main St.

STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL,

7 p.m., council chambers, 150 W. Coe St.

UMATILLA CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Umatilla City Hall, 700 Sixth St.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5
MORROW COUNTY COURT, 9 a.m., Pioneer Annex conference room, 150 Rock St., Heppner.

HERMISTON AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, 4 p.m., Hermiston Airport lounge, 1600 Airport Way.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BOARD OF EDUCATION, 6:30 p.m., TBA
PENDLETON FACADE COMMITTEE, 3:30 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community development conference room, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave.

UMATILLA COUNTY FAIR BOARD, 6:30 p.m., Umatilla County Fairgrounds, 515 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-6121).

CONDON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Condon City Hall, 128 S. Main St.

UMATILLA FIRE DISTRICT, 7 p.m., 305 Willamette Ave., Umatilla (McNary).

HELIX SCHOOL BOARD, 7:30, Helix School library, 120 Main St.

THURSDAY, AUG. 6
ADAMS PLANNING COMMISSION, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7
No meetings scheduled

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

JULY 23, 2015

LIEUALLAN — Leah J. Lieuallen and Nathaniel T.C. Lieuallen of Weston; a boy, Maverick Michael Lieuallen.

JULY 28, 2015

GARCIA — Vanessa Solis and Ricardo Garcia of Hermiston; a girl, Ella LaRose Garcia.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

JULY 21, 2015

RODRIGUEZ ALATORRE — Maria R. Rodriguez and Jorge J. Rodriguez of Hermiston; a girl, Daisy Rodriguez Alatorre.

JULY 24, 2015

DYER — Brandi Dyer of Hermiston; a boy, Nycholai Wilbur Dyer.

JULY 25, 2015

GLESSING — Adrienne Glessing and Andy Glessing of Hermiston; a boy, Blake Anthony Neil Glessing.

JULY 27, 2015

MINA — Erika Esparza and Benito Mina Hernandez of Hermiston; a boy, Xander Mina.

TORRES — Jessica I. Torres and Jesse Torres of Hermiston; a girl, Juliette Petra Torres.

DEATH NOTICES

Opal M. Wallace

Milton-Freewater

Dec. 4, 1926-July 30, 2015

Opal M. Wallace, 88, of Milton-Freewater died Thursday, July 30, 2015, in Umapine, Ore. She was born Dec. 4, 1926. Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home in Milton-Freewater is in charge of arrangements.

Angella M. Lambert

Hermiston

Dec. 2, 1960-July 28, 2015

Angella M. Lambert, 54, of Hermiston died Tuesday, July 28, 2015, in Richland, Wash. She was born Dec. 2, 1960, in Portland, Ore. A celebration of life gathering will be announced. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online guest book at burnsmortuary-hermiston.com

Patricia J. ‘Pat’ Wahner

Stanfield

Nov. 29, 1929-July 30, 2015

Patricia J. “Pat” Wahner, 85, of Stanfield died Thursday, July 30, 2015, at her home. She was born Nov. 29, 1929, in Heppner. A celebration of life service is pending. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online guest book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Ronald Elmonte Thompson

Anchorage, Alaska

June 30, 1936-July 28, 2015

Ronald Elmonte Thompson, 79, of Anchorage, Alaska, died Tuesday, July 28, 2015, as a result of an automobile accident on Battle Mountain. He was born June 30, 1936, in Milliken, Colorado. Arrangements are pending with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop.

Lynette Joy Park

Pendleton

April 16, 1944-July 31, 2015

Lynette Joy Park, 71, of Pendleton died Friday, July 31, 2015, at a local care facility. She was born April 16, 1944, in Salem, Ore. Arrangements are pending with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop.

UPCOMING SERVICES

SATURDAY, AUG. 1

ANTEAU, JASON — Celebration of life service at 11 a.m. at the Hermiston High School commons, 600 N. First St.
EMERSON (GREENE), MARY — Graveside service at 11 a.m. at the Pilot Rock Cemetery. A gathering will follow at the Pilot Rock Community Center, 285 NW Cedar Place.

FISHER, DAVID — Celebration gathering and potluck at 4 p.m. at 1210 N.W. Stockton St., Hermiston.

HESLER, TERRIE — Funeral services at 10 a.m. at Mueller’s Tri-Cities Funeral Home, 1401 S. Union St., Kennewick, Wash. Graveside services will follow at River-view Heights Cemetery, 1200 S. Olympia St., Kennewick.

HILL, SHERMAN — Graveside service with military honors at 9 a.m. at the Hermiston Cemetery.

PORTER, WILMA — Graveside service at 11 a.m. at Skyview Memorial Park, 70116 S. Highway 395, Pendleton.

STILLER, JERRY — Memorial services at 11 a.m. at Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater.

SUTPHIN, ROBERT — Celebration of life at the Wallowa Rod and Gun Club, 75044 Lower Diamond Lane, Wallowa, with an informal shoot from 8 a.m. to noon and a potluck from noon to 2 p.m.

WHITE, CHUCK — Services at 2 p.m. at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. A dinner will follow at the Hermiston Elks Lodge, 480 E. Main St.

SUNDAY, AUG. 2

No services scheduled

MONDAY, AUG. 3

CLARK, BARBARA — Mass of Christian burial at 2 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, with burial following at the Hermiston Cemetery.

TAYLOR, BOB — Memorial service at 10 a.m. in the chapel at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. A graveside service with military honors will follow at 3 p.m. at the Mayville Cemetery.

TUESDAY, AUG. 4

No services scheduled

OBITUARY POLICY

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Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style.

Expanded death notices will be published at no charge. These include information about services.

Obituaries and notices can be submitted online at www.eastoregonian.com/obituaryform, by email to obits@eastoregonian.com, by fax to 541-276-8314, placed via the funeral home or in person at the East Oregonian office.

LOTTERY

Thursday, July 30,	4 p.m.: 9-2-7-7
Lucky Lines	7 p.m.: 1-4-2-5
01-05-11-16-FREE-19-21-28-31	10 p.m.: 3-1-8-1
Estimated jackpot: \$23,000	
Pick 4	Friday, July 31
1 p.m.: 7-9-4-5	Pick 4
	1 p.m.: 5-3-1-3

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FRIDAY, JULY 31
Mark Holt

SATURDAY, AUG. 1
Whisky Barrel Rocker

The family of
ALBERTA BARLOW-ALLSTOTT
wishes to thank Dr. Parker and the nurses at St Mary's for the wonderful care given during her accident and passing. A thank you to Pastor Delbert Durfee, the VFW Ladies Auxiliary for the luncheon, and all the thoughts and prayers, cards, food, donations to the Athena Christian Church, and Ron and Valori Martin of Pendleton Pioneer Chapel .
~ Everett Barlow, Mary Earley, Cindy Wheeler and families